BMC

More problems

1. Given positive numbers *a*, *b*, *c*, *d*, prove that

$$\frac{a^3 + b^3 + c^3}{a + b + c} + \frac{b^3 + c^3 + d^3}{b + c + d} + \frac{c^3 + d^3 + a^3}{c + d + a} + \frac{d^3 + a^3 + b^3}{d + a + b} \ge a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + d^2$$

2. Prove that the given system of equations has exactly one solution.

$$x + y + z = 3$$

$$x^{2} + y^{2} + z^{2} = 3$$

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3. Solve the system .

$$x^{2} + y^{2} = 2$$

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- 4. Express the given polynomial as a polynomial in the elementary symmetric polynomials.
 - (i) $x^n + y^n$
 - (ii) $x^n + y^n + z^n$
 - (iii) (x + y)(x + z)(y + z)
 - (iv) $xy^4 + yz^4 + zx^4 + xz^4 + yx^4 + zy^4$.
- 5. Let *a*, *b*, *c* be real numbers such that a + b + c = 0. Prove that

(i)
$$\left(\frac{a^2+b^2+c^2}{2}\right)\left(\frac{a^3+b^3+c^3}{3}\right) = \frac{a^5+b^5+c^5}{5};$$

(ii)
$$\left(\frac{a^2+b^2+c^2}{2}\right)\left(\frac{a^5+b^5+c^5}{5}\right) = \frac{a^7+b^7+c^7}{7}.$$

- (iii) Can you generalize the above equations?
- 6. Prove that the product of four consecutive terms of an arithmetic progression of integers plus the fourth power of the common difference is always a perfect square.